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FOR DEP ASST SECY SOBER FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, KU
SUBJ: FMS CASE UCY

REF: (A) STATE 176166, (B) KUWAIT 3197, (C) MICOM (DTG 162199Z JUL 76
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1. SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS BY DEPT AND DOD TO MODIFY AND FURTHER
RATIONALIZE SUBSTANCE OF RAYTHEON FMS CASE UCY IN ORDER TO TRY
TO MEET SOME OF GOK'S MOIZ SERIOUS CONCERNS ARE MOST APPRECIATED.
I FULLY AGREE THAT PROMPT ACTION TO SIGN CASE IS NECESSARY AND
THAT FAILURE TO SIGN WOULD CAST DOUBT OF VIABILITY OF ENTIRE
IHAWK TRANSACTION.

2. GIVEN SHORT TIME REMAINING BEFORE DEADLINE OF AUG 31,
I INTEND TO RAISE MATTER DIRECTLY WITH DEFMIN SHEIKH SA'AD IN
HOPES OF IMPRESSING GOK WITH URGENCY OF THIS MATTER WKD IN
ATTEMPT TO AVOID FURTHER NICKLY-AND-DIME QUIBBLING BY MINDEF
STAFF AND AIR DEFENSE OFFICERS. WHEN I MEET WITH SHEIKH SA'AD,
I SHALL CERTAINLY STRESS POINTS MADE IN PARA 4 REF A.

3. MY PLAN IS TO SEND HIM LETTER IN WHICH I POINT OUT MAJOR
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EFFORT MADE BY USG WHICH RESULTED IN REDUCTION OF \$13 MILLION

AND FURNISH WITH IT EXPLANATION DRAWN REFTEL C. IN SAME LETTER
I WILL REQUEST APPOINTMENT WITH SHEIKH SA'AD TO DISCUSS UCY CASE.
SOME DAYS MAY ELAPSE BEFORE APPOINTMENT MAY BE ARRANGED, GIVEN
SHEIKH SA'AD'S PREOCCUPATION WITH INTERNAL SECURITY PROBLEMS,
BUT I WILL FOLLOW-UP THIS MATTER ACTIVELY.
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